

What is claimed is:

1. One from a family of vehicles, the family comprising:
  - a first land vehicle selected from a group consisting of a motorcycle, a snowmobile, and an all terrain vehicle, the first land vehicle comprising
    - a V-type engine, and
    - a first transmission operatively connected thereto,  
wherein the first transmission is a separate component from the engine; and
    - a second land vehicle selected from the group consisting of a motorcycle, a snowmobile, and an all terrain vehicle, the second land vehicle comprising
      - the V-type engine, and
      - a second transmission operatively connected thereto,  
wherein the second transmission is a separate component from the engine; and
      - wherein the second land vehicle is any land vehicle from the group other than that selected for the first land vehicle.
2. The vehicle of claim 1, wherein:
  - the first transmission is one selected from a group comprising a geared transmission, a manual transmission, a continuously variable transmission, or an automatic transmission.
3. The vehicle of claim 2, further comprising:
  - an endless connector operatively connecting the engine to the first transmission.
4. The vehicle of claim 3, wherein:
  - the endless connector is selected from a group comprising a chain and a belt.

5. The vehicle of claim 1, wherein:
  - the second transmission is one selected from a group comprising a geared transmission, a manual transmission, a continuously variable transmission, or an automatic transmission.
6. The vehicle of claim 5, further comprising:
  - an endless connector operatively connecting the engine to the first transmission.
7. The vehicle of claim 6, wherein:
  - the endless connector is selected from a group comprising a chain and a belt.
8. The vehicle of claim 1, wherein:
  - the V-type engine has a displacement of at least 650 cubic centimeters.
9. The vehicle of claim 8, wherein:
  - the V-type engine comprises two cylinder bores, the axes of which are disposed relative to one another at an angle of between about 82 and 90 degrees.
10. One vehicle from a family of vehicles, the family comprising:
  - a land vehicle being one selected from a group consisting of a motorcycle, a snowmobile, and an all terrain vehicle, the land vehicle comprising
    - a V-type engine, and
    - a transmission operatively connected thereto; and

a water vehicle being one selected from a group consisting of a personal watercraft, a boat having an inboard engine, and a boat having an outboard engine, the water vehicle comprising the engine.

11. The vehicle of claim 10, wherein:

the transmission is one selected from a group comprising a geared transmission, a manual transmission, a continuously variable transmission, or an automatic transmission.

12. The vehicle of claim 11, further comprising:

an endless connector operatively connecting the engine to the transmission.

13. The vehicle of claim 12, wherein:

the endless connector is selected from a group comprising a chain and a belt.

14. The vehicle of claim 10, wherein:

the V-type engine has a displacement of at least 650 cubic centimeters.

15. The vehicle of claim 14, wherein:

the V-type engine comprises two cylinder bores, the axes of which are disposed relative to one another at an angle of between about 82 and 90 degrees.